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SUBJECT: MEASURES AGAINST US INSTALLATIONS: TURKS CALL MEETING
OF NAC

DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO SECRETARY

1. THE TURKISH NATO DELEGATION HAS CALLED A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, JULY 29. WE NOTE
(FBIS) THAT TURKISH AUTHORITIES PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED THAT PURPOSE
OF MEETING WOULD BE TO EXPLAIN TO NATO MEMBERS REASONS FOR
TURKISH DECISION TO HALT ACTIVITIES AT US JOINT DEFENSE
INSTALLATIONS. TURKISH DELEGATION INFORMED US AMBASSADOR
ERALP, WHO WILL RETURN FROM ANKARA FOR NAC MEETINGS, WILL ALSO
DESCRIBE IN PREPARED STATEMENT NATURE OF MEASURES AND PROS-
PECTS FOR FUTURE.

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2. RECOMMENDATION: WE SUGGEST THAT FOLLOWING TURKISH PRE-
SENTATION AMBASSADOR BRUCE MAKE BRIEF STATEMENT ALONG FOL-

LOWING LINES:

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE AWARE OF THE INTENSE EFFORTS
BY THE US ADMINISTRATION TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES WHICH
HAVE LED THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO TAKE THE STEPS
AMBASSADOR ERALP HAS JUST DESCRIBED. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE
ARE CONTINUING THESE EFFORTS. THE MUTUAL US INSTALLATIONS

IN TURKEY TO WHICH AMBASSADOR ERALP REFERRED ARE OF CRITICAL
IMPORTANCE NOT ONLY TO TURKEY AND TO THE UNITED STATES, BUT
ALSO FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMON DEFENSE OF THE
NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE. PRESERVATION OF THE INTELLIGENCE AND
MILITARY CAPABILITIES OF THESE INSTALLATIONS IS OF VITAL CONCERN
TO ALL ALLIED COUNTRIES. WE BELIEVE THAT IN DESCRIBING THE STEPS
THEY HAVE FELT COMPELLED TO TAKE TO THE COUNCIL, THE TURKISH
GOVERNMENT HAS RECOGNIZED THE COMMON INTEREST IN THIS
MATTER. WE HOPE ALL ALLIES WILL COOPERATE TO AVOID ANY
WEAKENING OF THE MUTUAL DEFENSE IN THIS STRATEGIC AREA.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE IN TIME FOR JULY 29 MEETING
OF THE NAC.
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